

## PREPARED TO FIGHT.

Quarrel Between Hill and Cleveland Surely On.

President Knows It and is Ready for It.

## MEANS OPEN WAR.

Peckham's Nomination Must be Viewed That Way.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 30.—[Special.]—The political net is falling, what with the internal strife over the tariff bill in the house, the personal bitterness in the senate over Hayes and the removal of the lifelong political feud between Cleveland and Hill. Matters could not well be shaped better for the most restful kind of a time in congress. All this is a source of intense delight to most of Washington. Let a man live here for two years, and he gets around looking for trouble and welcomes it with as much joy as though he had drawn to an inside straight flush and made it. But he wants the trouble to affect some one besides himself. Now, here, the public life have trouble enough of their own, and consequently it is the one thing they never borrow. Let two members of the house get into a war of words, and the drawbridge goes up; and gather about them constituents of "leg" from all the world like a parcel of schoolboys, seeing one another fellow-thumped.

### They Have Burned Their Bridges.

It is this same feeling that makes the war between the president and Senator Hill of such intense interest to every one. The contest between these two men is in many ways most unusual. No one who has not lived in the political atmosphere of Washington can understand or appreciate what it means to declare open war on the occupant of the White House. It means the loss of everything in the way of appointments for friends or constituents, and shown that there are few men who could be returned. As far as Hill was concerned, he could not have made his peace at the White House had he so wished. Cleveland never had much use for the senior senator from New York, but he has less now than ever before, that still his company in Senator Murphy, who is almost as bitter, if not as unspoken, in his antipathy for the president. In calling for his colleagues, Mr. Murphy sent his wings behind and peeped expectantly over his shoulder. The Senate will meet on the 1st of March, 1896.

There have been many surprises in the long drawn-out battle between Cleveland and Hill. The latter has had decided the worst of it, but he managed at odd times to score a point, just to remind the chief magistrate that he was still in the game. His latest effort evidently shot him. It was a genuine surprise. Every one expected that Senator Hill would make up his war on the Hamburksmen for the sake of the vacuous seat in the superfluous chair, which he will fill when he is no longer here. But Mr. Hill did succeed in luring the senior senator Mr. Hamburk and made no effort to conceal his satisfaction. That was natural, for the New York senator has a way of keeping his own counsel which has earned for him the sobriquet of the "silent man." But if Hill's sport faded regarding over his defeat of Mr. Cleveland's choice for the supreme bench was surprising, what could be said to express the open-eyed wonder with which every one read the name of Wheeler H. Peckham of New York for the same high position?

### Six of the Supreme Court.

President Cleveland's tenacity of purpose has stood him in good stead on many occasions, but many of his best friends here do not believe in condemning his implied threat to the New York senator to run the gamut of a political enemy down their ranks, whether it dislocates their Adam's apple not. To many it looks as though the chief executive and the New York senators were playing batedoor and shuttlecock with one of the most important offices within the gift of the president. Congress imagined that there should be an end to this thing, and that it should come speedily.

There are many important cases on the supreme court docket today involving millions of dollars and still others affecting thousands of people, all so important, in fact, as to have led the entire to set them aside until they could be tried before a full bench. With such a condition of affairs in the supreme court, it is no wonder that many expressions of impatience should be heard from men of both political parties. They do not care much whether Mr. Hill or the present chief wins, but they do care a great deal about having the vacancy on the supreme bench filled by a good man at an early day. To an unprejudiced observer the whole thing favors a personal fight between two contestants rather than between the president and a United States senator.

### FIVE PERSONS KILLED.

They Are Warned of the Explosion But Consider It a Joke.

OSSCEGO, N.Y., Jan. 30.—One of the most terrible disasters in the history of southern Kentucky occurred this morning. At the town of Hickman, a station on the Louisville & Nashville road, nine miles south of here, a bomb in a car portrait of John Mercer exploded, killing five men and fatally wounding another. The explosion was caused by running cold water into the warm boiler.

The engineer was aware of the explosion and urged the bystanders to run, but they regarded his warning as a joke. The bodies of two of the men were found torn to atoms in a fire seventy-five yards from the scene of the accident. All the victims were horribly mangled. John Mercer's body is an unrecognizable mass. The concession was only left in this city. The names of the killed are: Taylor Parrish, John Mercer, Bob Sate, Ed Horner, Wm. Yarbrough, and James Mercer, fatally injured.

### VAILLANT'S EXECUTION.

It Has Been Postponed Until Tomorrow—Great Crowd Collected.

PARIS, Jan. 30.—Great crowds gathered this morning on the Place de la Roquette, facing the prison of La Roquette, where Vaillant is confined and from which place he was expected to emerge for execution this morning. The authorities took the most stringent measures to prevent confirmation. His first effort in this direction was to have the matter held up for a week or more, and in this he appears to have been successful. But what will be the ultimate outcome of this fight no one at this time can foretell. It means a great deal to both, and neither will leave a stone

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## SCUM OF EUROPE.

The People of Mansfield Don't Want Any More

Of It Imported by the Coal Barons.

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It is understood also that they have interested the Russell Sage and President Olcott of the Central Trust company with them and that the latter will co-operate with them in the movement now under way and it is likely to be a success.

The banking syndicate formed to subscribe to the government loan has already agreed to take \$25,000,000. Those who have joined the syndicate are: The Union Trust company, the Commercial Trust company, the Central Trust company, the Farmers Loan and Trust company, the New York Security and Trust company, the Manhattan Banking company, the Park National bank, the Fourth National bank, the Danvers National bank, the Bank of Commerce, the American Exchange National bank, the City National bank, the Merchant's National bank and the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Company.

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### MENDONCA BELIEVES.

The Brazilian Minister Thinks the Reports from Brazil Are Correct.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—A representative of the Associated Press showed Minister Salvador Mendonca the dispatches from London announcing the surrender of the insurgent admiral DuGama at Rio, and asked if he had any evidence confirmatory of those reports.

"I have always been very willing," replied Secretary Mendonca, "to give my opinion and advice, but now I am in a position which I think may deter me from giving out any information that may be in my power. I have no desire to compromise my position as the representative of my country entails upon me a certain amount of reserve and I must therefore ask to be excused from saying anything at this time."

Upon being urged to express his opinion as to the truth of the London dispatches, the minister said: "I can say that I have had no official information on the subject, but in view of my published statement a week ago, that I foresee this thing, I think it may be this truth. If it happened I am not at all surprised, and am greatly pleased."

### NEW YORK MARKET.

It Wasn't Affected by the Severe Confusion of Carriers and Bankers.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—The Post says: The tea pot tempest over the bond bears, local prospect now having stabilized, the market resumed today a more favorable aspect. The professional movement against prices was not encouraged by the remarkable "no news" story of yesterday's sub-treasury conference. Today the local brokers for new government bonds were forced to show their hands to some purpose, and this was the only news which influenced the market.

The other news was favorable. The decrease statement from the Burlington & Quincy was not much more favorable than that of St. Paul, but the cardinal point with investors seems to be after all that the companies pay dividends, and with possible reductions are likely to continue such payment. With this money earning only 2 to 3 per cent, these 4 and 5 cent dividends on stocks selling below \$80 are a reasonably strong inducement.

McHILL, because he is a member of the senate, has no right to tell the president who shall be nominated for my office, in nominating Mr. Hornblower the president did only what he was authorized to do by law. But, on the other hand, Mr. Cleveland, because he is president, has no right to tell Mr. Hill how he shall vote on any nomination made. This presumption is that Mr. Cleveland nominated Mr. Hornblower because of his well known and aggressive anti-slavery attitude in New York politics. The presumption is also that Mr. Hill was compassed his defeat of Mr. Hornblower for the very same reason. The presumption in both cases was fair.

But the whole affair passed beyond the pale of presumption when the occupant of the White House sent the name of Wheeler H. Peckham to the senate. If anything, he has been more unwise than Hornblower in opposing every one connected with Hill or the anti-slavery cause. This action is practically a declaration of open war. Mr. Cleveland's attitude toward Hornblower was offensive to Hill. Peckham would be given more so. Peckham, in fact, is the anti-Hill mess, while the load and fruit of Hornblower's offending remained in holding a high private in Peckham's command.

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**BETTER THAN SILVER.**

Bankers Consider It a Mistaken Policy to Allow Bond Issues to Fall.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Several of the bank officials who attended yesterday's conference with the secretary of the treasury have arrived at the conclusion that it will be mistaken policy to allow the government bond issue to fall because of inactivity or lack of support on the part of the financiers of this city. They have also been influenced to this conclusion by fears that if the issues had not been successful, Secretary Carlisle would endeavor to secure the passage of a bill authorizing the cutting of the obligation of silver bullion now in the treasury.

A further consideration was the possibility of the reflection upon the credit of the government by the failure to sell the bonds.

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Another crowd was seen above McDowell, but this morning even the foot-tracks had been obliterated by the snow.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Lowery made an early tour of the works up the Lake Erie lines, and especially in the Tom's Run district. He wired back that there were a number of men at work in the mines and that confidence had been generally restored.

An operator said that the presence of the deputy sheriffs was having a wonderfully salutary effect upon the foreigners. There is little doubt, however, that there still exists grounds for uneasiness from the silent silence of the men themselves.

The fact that they show no disposition to return to work exhibits a spirit of disorder which may result in further disturbance.

The postmaster general has received a communication from Secretary W. H. Lane of the mail company, stating that it is questionable whether the company can meet the requirements. No action on the communication has been taken by the department. If the contract is not carried out the postmaster general has power to impose a heavy fine.

A like condition of affairs exists in the mail service between San Francisco and Hong Kong, for which the Pacific company also has the contract. The change in that service is from 13 to 26 trips a year.

**INHABITED ONLY BY HOGS.**

AT ALABAMA NO MAN'S LAND WHERE HUMAN BEINGS HAVE NEVER LIVED.

In the northern part of Limestone county, Alabama, is a tract of land consisting of more than 1,000 acres which is not on the map of the state, nor can it be found in the registers of that county. No one claims it and no taxes have ever been paid on it.

It is a vast wilderness, inhabited by snakes, deer and razor-back hogs. It is a free hunting ground and thousands of these hogs are killed every year, more for the sport than for anything else. The hogs are wild and cannot be domesticated. Their yield is said to be enormous. Tom Booth of Palisades, Tenn., secured a male and female and did all in his power to tame them, but failed. He kept them a year and at the end of that time they were as wild as at first. The more he fed them the thinner they became.

Within the year they consumed 400 bushels of corn and were as lean as church mice. During that time the sow had five litters of pigs, numbering 210. Mr. Booth could not tame any of these nor get them fat enough to make even song grease. Finally he gave them to a negro, who now considers himself under no obligations to Mr. Booth. The flesh of these hogs resembles horseflesh. It is as tough as oxen skin, and a large slab of this species rendered would not make grease enough to fry a skillet of batter cakes. They go through a garden like a shovel-plow, and no vegetable escapes them. They can crawl through a crack that would hardly admit a mouse, and their sharp claws act as levers for garden tools. The Tennessee makes great fun of Alabama's razor-back hogs.

**FIERCE STORM IN EAST.**

THE WIND BLEW SEVENTY MILES AN HOUR ON ATLANTIC COAST.

New York, Jan. 30.—The storm that has raged on the Atlantic coast during the past thirty-six hours has been one of the severest for many years. The wind at Sandy Hook at one time reached a velocity of over seventy miles an hour. Fortunately very little damage has been done so far as reported.

The wind shifted to the northwest and increased in violence till this morning when it moderated somewhat. This change probably saved two schooners that showed signs of trouble off the Jersey coast last night.

**FEDERAL ELECTION BILL.**

A Final Vote to Be Taken on It on Monday Next.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—At the conclusion of Senator Sherman's remarks in the senate today, the election bill was taken up and it was agreed that at 4 p.m. next Tuesday a final vote on its passage be taken.

**MICHAEL DAVITT.**

He Is Granted His Discharge From Bankruptcy Today.

DUBLIN, Jan. 30.—Mr. Michael Davitt has been granted his discharge in bankruptcy.

The court upheld Mr. Davitt's plea that he was entitled to incur the costs in connection with the Meath election petition.

**LOTS OF POSTMASTERS.**

Itus Rapidus and Many Other Towns Receive Appointments.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The president today sent the following nominations to the senate:

Postmasters for many towns in Texas, Colorado, Nebraska, only one Kansas, namely, William H. Thompson, Blue Rapids, Kansas.

**TELE. 289.**

Decorations and all Kinds of Plants.

Greenhouse on West 10th Street, City Street at 4th Avenue.